

Fast Food Fax

FEB 28, 2005

Trade sentiment was steady. Demand ranged light to moderate, best where limited features were planned. In the parts complex, breast items were sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts were adequate. Wings were available. Weights were mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Feb 12, 2005

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	24,705	22,136	46,515	93,356
Percentage	26%	24%	50%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	4,805	5.15
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	6,625	7.10
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	9,443	10.12
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.l	3,832	4.10
		24,705	26.46

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Dec 25	210,007	102	170,610	101	196,263	105	162,009	105	125,118	79
Jan 01	210,659	102	172,321	102	194,298	102	162,389	105	137,675	110
Jan 08	211,371	102	173,506	104	197,554	103	163,047	104	160,263	116
Jan 15	209,323	101	172,115	103	200,982	100	166,083	101	159,418	99
Jan 22	210,089	102	172,652	104	207,843	101	171,274	102	149,431	94
Jan 29	211,302	103	171,613	102	208,330	102	171,993	103	157,768	101
Feb 05	213,567	103	172,910	102	209,691	100	173,272	102	156,566	99
Feb 12	213,403	102	175,844	105	208,114	102	172,093	102	154,449	99
Feb 19	213,355	102	175,506	105	209,798	101	172,356	102	156,653	101

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

Week of 02/28/05

	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	67-70	69.78	69.71	75.71
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	63-66	66.14	66.56	72.16
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	80	78.95	79.08	77.52
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		71.52	71.47	75.52
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 73.75)		72.77	72.67	71.57
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		51.40	52.33	69.76

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

Weekly Weighted Average

	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
	02/25/05	02/25/05	02/28/05
Breast - B/S	142.14	135.29	143.50
Tenderloins	147.05	146.70	172.00 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	82.18	85.75	83.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	31.30	29.27	32.00
Wings	122.09	110.01	117.00